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Bringhurst et al.

Appl. No. 09/448,867

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## Reply To Restriction Requirement And To Requirement For Election Of Species

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following is in reply to the Office Action dated June 8, 2001, requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, and an election of species within the invention.

## Reply to Restriction Requirement

Applicant hereby provisionally elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, represented by claims 1-11, drawn to polypeptides and a composition comprising polypeptides. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. This election is made without traverse.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement, and consideration and allowance of all pending claims, are respectfully requested.

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## Reply To Requirement For Election Of Species

Applicants elect SEQ ID NO: 1 as the species to be prosecuted without traverse.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Requirement for Election of Species, and consideration and allowance of all pending claims, are respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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